Amendment and Response

Applicant: Sterling Mortensen Serial No.: 09/941,467 Filed: August 29, 2001

Docket No.: 10004428-1

Title: DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION TO MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE

REMARKS

The following Remarks are made in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2004, in which claims 1-10, 14-25, and 28-30 were rejected, and claims 11-13 and 26-27 were objected to. With this Amendment, claims 1, 3-8, and 11-16 have been amended for stylistic reasons. Claims 1-30 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-3, 14-20, 22, and 28-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being unpatentable over McCurdy et al. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0035697. Claims 4-10, 21, 23, and 24-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over McCurdy et al. in view of Beale, "Get Prepress-Ready PDFs from QuarkXPress".

McCurdy et al. has a publication date of March 21, 2002 and a filing date of July 2, 2001. Accompanying this Amendment and Response is a Declaration of Prior Invention under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 to establish conception of the subject matter of the present patent application prior to the filing date of July 2, 2001 of the McCurdy et al. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0035697 coupled with due diligence from prior to the filing date to the filing date of the present patent application (i.e., constructive reduction to practice). Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests consideration of the Declaration of Prior Invention under 37 C.F.R. 1.131.

In view of the above, Applicant submits that McCurdy et al. does not qualify as a reference under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and, therefore, does not qualify as a reference under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-3, 14-20, 22, and 28-30 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and the rejection of claims 4-10, 21, 23, and 24-25 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) be reconsidered and withdrawn, and that claims 1-30 be allowed.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 11-13 and 26-27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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Applicant agrees with the Examiner that claims 11-13 and 26-27 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. As outlined above, Applicant, however, has submitted a Declaration of Prior Invention under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 to establish conception of the subject matter of the present patent application prior to the filing date of July 2, 2001 of the McCurdy et al. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0035697 coupled with due diligence from prior to the filing date to the filing date of the present patent application (i.e., constructive reduction to practice). Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the objection to claims 11-13 and 26-27 be withdrawn and that claims 11-13 and 26-27 be allowed.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-30 are all in a condition for allowance and requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of all pending claims.

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